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AMEMBASSY PANAMA PASS TO GOV. CANAL ZONE

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SUBJ: BOLIVIAN CUSTOMS VALUATIONS

1. GOB FINANCE MINISTRY JANUARY 31 PUBLISHED LISTING OF MINIMUM PRESUMPTIVE VALUES THAT WILL BE PLACED ON EXTENSIVE NUMBER OF IMPORTS. LIST BEING POUCHED TO USDOC.

2. PREAMBLE OF ANNOUNCEMENT STATES THAT LIST NECESSARY TO CORRECT UNDER-STATEMENTS ON INVOICES, ESPECIALLY HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICAL GOODS COMING FROM "FREE ZONE OF PANAMA CANAL" OR AS CITED IN ANOTHER PART OF ANNOUNCEMENT FROM "PANAMA CANAL ZONE." MINISTRY STATED THAT ANY ITEM COMING FROM ZONE WILL BE VALUED 20 PERCENT ABOVE INVOICE TOTAL. GOB CUSTOMS OFFICIAL ASSURED EMBOFF, WHO HAD NOTED POSSIBLE CONFUSION, THAT ANNOUNCEMENT AIMED AT GOODS COMING FROM COLON FREE ZONE NOT PANAMA CANAL ZONE.

3. CONFUSION IN ANNOUNCEMENT SHOULD NOT LEGALLY AFFECT GOODS COMING FROM CANAL ZONE, BUT WE CANNOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY OF SOME CONFUSION. ARRIVING US OFFICIAL SHIPMENTS, OF COURSE, NOT SUBJECT CUSTOMS TREATMENT.

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